



TOWN OF BLUFFTON
BLUFFTON, SOUTH CAROLINA

Lowcountry Alliance Community Forum Proclamation

Whereas, the 2016 Community Forum hosted by the Lowcountry Alliance for Healthy Youth is a national initiative of the US Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration to educate communities about the risks of youth substance abuse such as underage drinking and marijuana; and

Whereas, research indicates youth use of alcohol and marijuana has a significant impact on the developing teen brain, impairing the area that controls motor coordination, impulse control, memory, learning and judgement; and

Whereas, youth use of alcohol and marijuana increase the risk of impaired driving, violent behavior, addiction, mental health disorders, poor school performance, and other illicit drug use; and

Whereas, teen alcohol and other substance abuse and related risk behaviors affect the teen, the family, friends and the community; and

Whereas, all members of the community can play a role in promoting substance use prevention efforts and in promoting positive youth development;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I Lisa Sulka, Mayor of the Town of Bluffton, along with Bluffton Town Council, do hereby proclaim November 14, 2016 Community Forum as a call to action to encourage our community to send a clear consistent message about health, safety, social and legal consequences of teen alcohol and other drug use, making it more likely our youth will make positive choices supported by family, friends and the community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand and caused the seal of the Town of Bluffton to be affixed this 13th day of September, 2016.



Lisa Sulka, Mayor